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In re Patent Application of:
Govil et al.

Application No.: 10/730,561

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Examiner: E. J. Webman

For: ADHESIVE MIXTURE FOR TRANSDERMAL
DELIVERY OF HIGHLY PLASTICIZING
DRUGS

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

This communication is in response to the Office Action mailed April 7, 2005, setting forth a Restriction Requirement in the above-identified application.

REMARKS

In the April 7, 2005, Office Action, the Examiner has held claims 1-121 subject to a restriction and/or election requirement. The Examiner has taken the position that there are seven different inventions set forth in this application. In particular, the Examiner contends that these inventions are as follows:

- I. Claims 1-28 and 67-120, drawn to an adhesive composition;
- II. Claims 29-33 and 40, drawn to a layered patch;
- III. Claims 34-39 and 64, drawn to a method of making an adhesive composition;
- IV. Claims 41-48, drawn to a method of making a layered patch;

(There is no Invention V.)